# U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY POLLUTION REPORT

#### I. HEADING

Date:

January 12, 1998

Subject:

Bossert Manufacturing Site

Utida, Oneida County, New York

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#### POLREP NO. 12

#### II. BACKGROUND

Site No.: S7

Delivery Order No.: 2101-02-010
Response Authority: CERCLA

ERNS No.: N/A

CERCLIS No.: NYD002249563

NPL Status: Non-NPL

Action Memo Status: Approved on 9/26/97

Start Date: 9/30/97
Demobilization Date: N/A

Completion Date: N/A

## III. SITE INFORMATION

#### A. Incident Category

CERCLA incident category: Inactive Production Facility

#### B. Site Description

The Bossert Manufacturing Site (site) is an abandoned production facility located at 1002 Oswego Street in the City of Utica, Oneida County, New York. The Bossert facility was used for the stamping, weldment, and fabrication of sheet metal items such as brake backing plates and steel floor grates from 1896 until the mid-1980's. During its operation, PCB oils were utilized in transformers and in hydraulic presses used in the manufacturing process. As a result of past manufacturing practices and salvage operations at the site, interior surfaces on floors and walls of the facility, as well as machinery and other structures within the building, became contaminated with PCBs.

CERCLA funds have been activated to abate the threat to public safety and the environment. Activity will include the off-site disposal of approximately 3,500 cubic yards of PCB contaminated debris, asbestos abatement, decontamination of mechanical and hydraulic presses, and the partial demolition/shoring of a building.

For a more detailed description, see Polrep No. 1 (Initial).

#### IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

#### A. Situation

#### 1. Removal Actions to Date

1/5/98 - 1/9/98. On January 6, four roll-off boxes of PCB contaminated debris totalling 105 cubic yards were transported off site and disposed of at a permitted landfill. To date, 33 roll-off boxes of with a combined volume of 870 cubic yards have been shipped off the site.

ERRS used hydraulic cement to patch portions of the cinder block wall on the west side of the Trimmer Room. This area had become deteriorated over time and may have failed without repairs being made. To address this situation, ERRS needed to move approximately 175 steel framed wooden crates. During the moving process, a large number of the crates were dismantled and the metal was placed in the scrap metal roll-off dumpster for salvaging. During this work week, three roll-off dumpsters of scrap metal were shipped off site for salvaging to recover funds which will be readministered into the ERRS project ceiling.





### 2. Enforcement

The PRP Search for the site has been initiated and enforcement efforts are continuing.

#### B. Planned Removal Actions

ERRS will continue transportation and disposal of PCB contaminated debris, kiln dust, and carbon powder during the week of January 12. Asbestos abatement activity will commence on January 19, 1998.

## C. Key Issues

An informational meeting for all asbestos abatement subcontractors (removal, air monitoring, and analytical) will be held on Thursday, January 15. The scope of work for asbestos abatement activities will be discussed in detail at this time.

## V. COST INFORMATION AS OF JANUARY 12, 1998 \*

ERRS Contractor	\$ 2,195,629
START Contractor Costs	145,555
Intramural Costs	229,916
TOTAL	\$ 2,571,100
Project Ceiling	\$ 5,990,000
Percent of Project Funds Remaining	57.1%

The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

#### VI. DISPOSITION OF WASTES

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PCB (UN3077)	Contaminated debris	870 cubic yards	Consolidated & Covered	Landfilled	Chemical Waste Management Model City, NY
PCB (UN2315)	Kiln dust & spent carbon	* 257 tons	Consolidated & Covered	Landfilled	Chemical Waste Management Model City, NY

## VII. SALVAGEABLE MATERIAL .

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Scrap Metal	75.19 tons	\$ 4,610.35

\* This table will be updated as recovered funds are received from Universal Empire Salvaging Company.

